



SINGAPORE



GOVERNMENT

Chief of State

President HALIMAH Yacob

Head of Government

Prime Minister LEE Hsien Loong

Government Type

parliamentary republic

Capital

Singapore

Legislature

unicameral Parliament (101 seats)

Judiciary

Supreme Court (the court total varies, presently there are 20 judges); the court is organized into an upper tier Appeal Court and a lower tier High Court

Ambassador to US

Ambassador Ashok Kumar MIRPURI

US Ambassador

Ambassador (vacant); Charge d'Affaires Rafik MANSOUR

GEOGRAPHY

Area

total: 719.2 sq km
land: 709.2 sq km
water: 10 sq km

Climate

tropical; hot, humid, rainy; two distinct monsoon seasons - northeastern monsoon (December to March) and southwestern monsoon (June to September); inter-monsoon - frequent afternoon and early evening thunderstorms

Natural Resources

fish, deep-water ports

ECONOMY

Economic Overview

Singapore has a highly developed and successful export-driven free-market economy; it enjoys an open and corruption-free environment, stable prices, low unemployment, and a per capita GDP higher than that of most developed countries

GDP (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$528.1 billion (2017 est.)

GDP per capita (Purchasing Power Parity)

\$94,100 (2017 est.)

Exports

\$396.8 billion (2017 est.)

partners: China 14.7%, Hong Kong 12.6%, Malaysia 10.8%, US 6.6%, Indonesia 5.8%, Japan 4.7%, South Korea 4.6%, Thailand 4% (2017)

Imports

\$312.1 billion (2017 est.)

partners: China 13.9%, Malaysia 12%, US 10.7%, Japan 6.3%, South Korea 5% (2017)

PEOPLE & SOCIETY

Population

6.2 million (July 2020 est.)

Population Growth

1.73% (2020 est.)

Ethnicity

Chinese 74.3%, Malay 13.4%, Indian 9%, other 3.2% (2018 est.)

Language

English (official) 36.9%, Mandarin (official) 34.9%, other Chinese dialects 12.2%, Malay (official) 10.7%, Tamil (official) 3.3%, other 2% (2015 est.)

Religion

Buddhist 33.2%, Christian 18.8%, Muslim 14%, Taoist 10%, Hindu 5%, other 0.6%, none 18.5% (2015 est.)

Urbanization

urban population: 100% of total population (2020)

rate of urbanization: 1.39% annual rate of change (2015-20 est.)

Literacy

97.3% (2016)

